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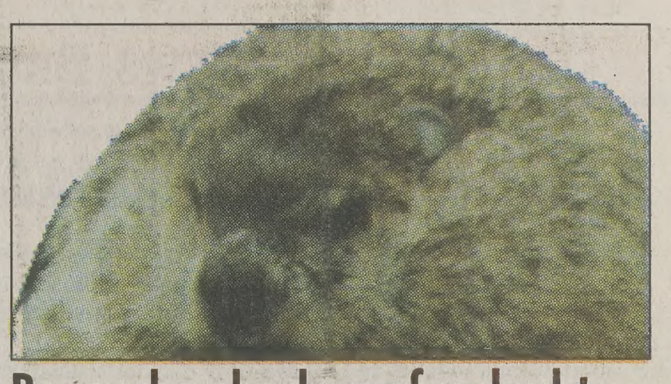

Beyond a shadow of a doubt

Punxsutawney Phil, a groundhog, will come out of his hole today to tell us how long winter will last this year.

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In the name of sportsmanship

A referee runs to keep up with the action during the men's basketball game against Utah on Monday. A bill has been proposed to the House that would increase penalties for assaulting sports officials.

Brian Moss/Daily Universe

New bill protects referees

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Pushing, shoving and getting in the ref's face are taken by some as part of the game.

But Rep. David L. Hogue, R-Riverton, wants to change that, or at least make the consequences more severe.

Friday, the former basketball referee expects to pass a bill through the House that would increase penalties for anyone who assaults a sports official before, during or after a game.

"We've seen a real increase in violence over the past few years to the point that I'm real concerned," said Hogue. "And I think a lot of officials are scared of some of the situations they've been getting into."

If House Bill 67 becomes law, jail sentences would be quadrupled and fines tripled, which adds up to one year in jail and $2,500 in fines.

The current assault charge for offenders is a $750 fine and 90 days in jail, which is the same for assaulting an ordinary citizen.

From pee-wee leagues to professionals, this bill covers sports officiating on all levels. Fourteen other states have similar laws on their books.

Although the Intramural Office at BYU has not had serious assaults on its referees, tougher penalties might make people think twice before they act, said Kristen Johnson, assistant director of intramurals.

Intramural referee Warren Hess has been officiating BYU games for three years and says that while he's been pushed around, verbal abuse is the No. 1 problem on the courts and fields.

"The other night I had a guy come up to me and get pretty abusive right in my face. And if I knew about the bill then, I might haves said something to him about it," said Hess, 24, a senior from Merced, Calif., majoring in Spanish. "A lot of people just don't think in the heat of the moment."

John Robison, a football referee for the Big 12, has seen players get lost in "the moment," from Utah County high school teams to the San Francisco 49ers.

He's had times when the threat of assault was so great that police surrounded him and escorted him off the field.

"Officials are looked at as some John-Doe punching bag to lash out at when someone gets angry," Robison said. "In the minds of some people that is just part of the sport, but it's a warped perspective."

This type of treatment is deterring people from getting into sports officiating, said Jerry Bovee, associate director of the Utah High School Activities Association. Assault on officials used to be rare but now a few reports are filed with the association each year.

In the last five years, the number of referees in Utah has dropped 10 percent for all high

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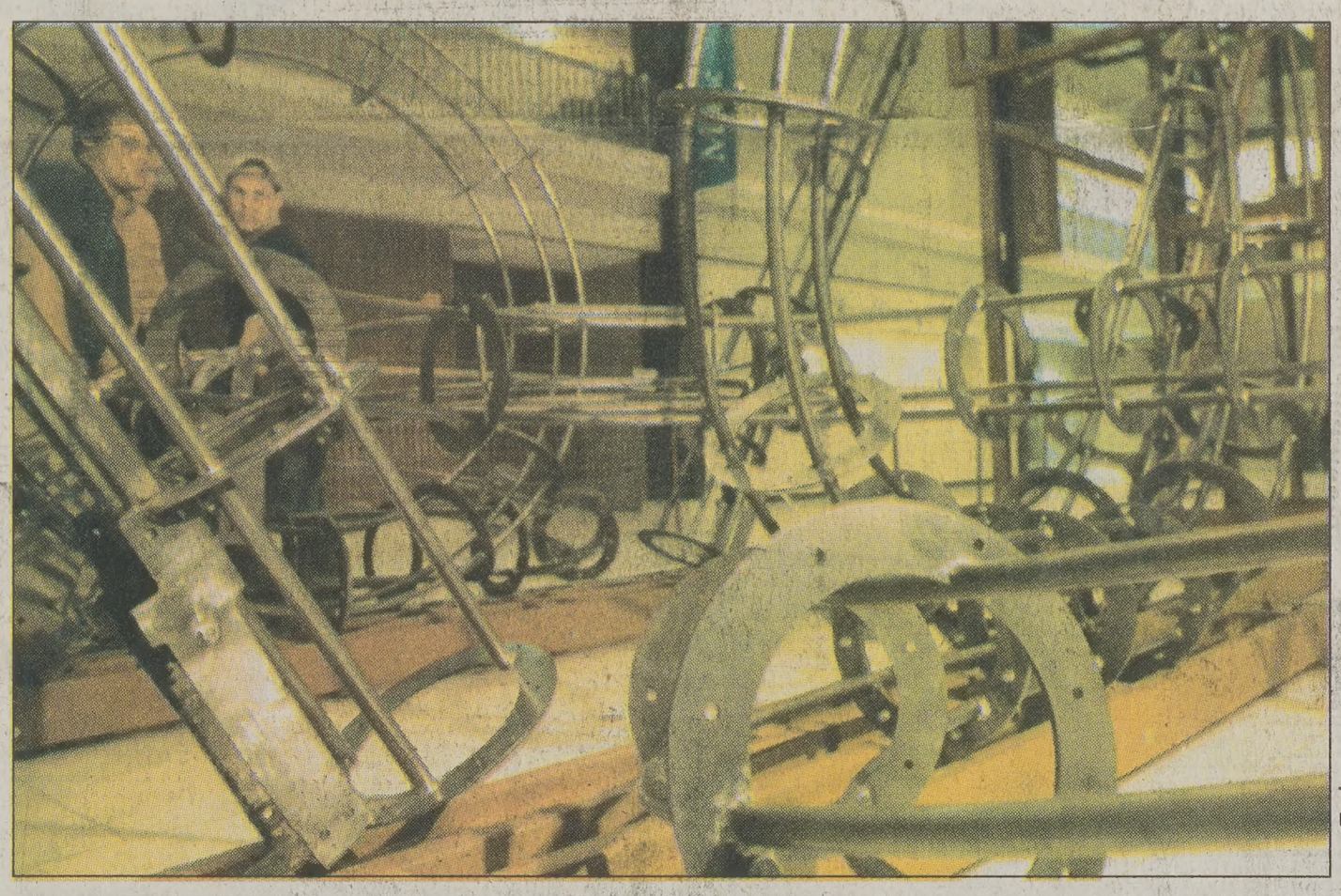

Joanna Caldwell/Daily Universe

High Roller

Daryl Tousley, 31, a senior from Las Vegas, majoring in sculpture, is presenting his senior project "Bowler Coaster," which uses kinetic energy to roll a bowling ball through a roller coaster. The ball loops through six-foot-high loops and climbs 20 feet high on the 50-foot-long sculpture. There will be an opening reception for the exhibit tonight in the Harris Fine Arts Center at 7:30.

Church refutes inclusion in France anti-cult bill

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The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has issued a statement saying it is not on a list of religious groups being targeted by anti-cult legislation from the French government.

False media reports began circulating when an article in Saturday's Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported the church was one of 173 groups labeled as a "dangerous cult" on a government report, and that its activities would be restricted if parliament approved the legislation.

"The church isn't on this list and never has been," said Dale Bills, spokesman for the LDS Church. "Our members and missionaries in France have a long history of rendering meaningful service to their communities."

A letter written in 1996 by Alan Gest, a member of the French National Assembly, to an LDS Church member in France further confirms that the church "does not appear on a list of those qualified as sectarian by the commission for research on sects." The church provided NewsNet with a copy of that letter.

In the past decade, the French government has investigated the church, along with other religious groups, twice to determine if it should be classified as a sect, said Elbert Dansie, a former mission president in the France Marseille Mission from 1996-99. Both times it was upheld as an official church.

But while the government officially recognizes the LDS Church, many French people do not, said John Young, who returned from a mission in France seven months ago.

With only 30,541 members out of a 60-million population, the church is still obscure and the French media often perpetuates negative stereotypes, he said.

Missionaries carried official documentation with them showing that they were officially recognized, but often it wasn't enough to dispel the misconceptions and fears, said Young, 21, a sophomore from Issaquah, Wash., majoring in English.

The LDS Church has been in France since 1850, when it organized an eight-member branch. At the end of 1999, the church had three missions — Paris, Bordeaux and Marseille — in the country.

Y athlete realizes dreams

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High expectations are the norm for Kenneth Andam.

Most athletes dream about competing in the Olympics.

Andam has already done that.

Entrepreneurs have high hopes to one day have their own business.

Andam already owns two.

Andam, 24, a graduate student in mass communications, from Takoradi, Ghana, has come a long way from his poor native surroundings.

But he says he is not content with what he has already accomplished.

"I believe that I have the potential to be the best in the world if I want to be," he said.

Andam is referring to his track capabilities, and he already has plans to compete for Ghana in the 2004 Olympic Games in Greece.

His former coach, Willard Hirschi — who recently retired after 36 years at BYU — said he agrees.

He has "the potential to be one

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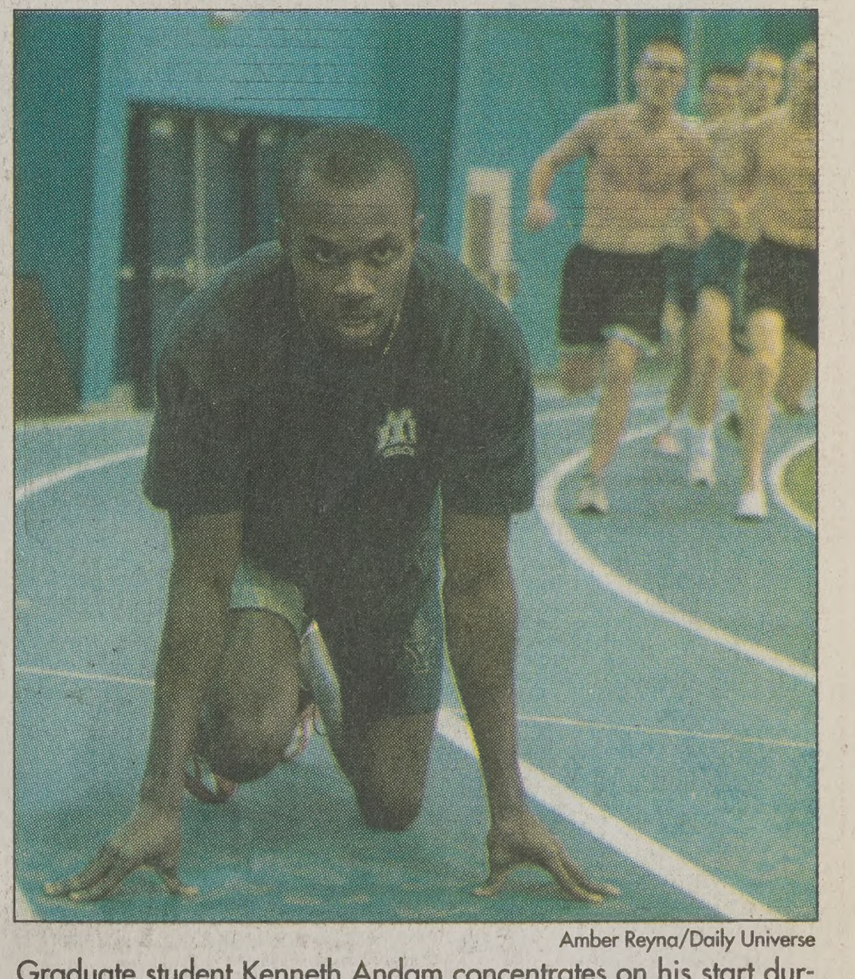

Amber Reyna/Daily Universe

Graduate student Kenneth Andam concentrates on his start during track practice Monday. Andam has competed in the Olympics and hopes to be the best track runner in the world.

NATION

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NGTON — A Senate voted Thursday to con- n Ashcroft to be attor- eral, giving President victory in his first battle gressional Democrats, ved notice they will try conservative nominees ure.

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—Associated Press

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News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Student suspected of plotting massacre

SAN JOSE, Calif. — The De Anza College student, in Cupertino, Calif., accused of assembling an arsenal of guns and explosives in his room and plotting a mass campus killing faces 108 years in prison if convicted.

Police found 30 pipe bombs and 20 Molotov cocktails stashed under clothes and in duffel bags in Al DeGuzman's bedroom.

He faces 122 criminal counts of possessing weapons and explosives and possessing them with the intent to injure a person or personal property.

Investigators also found magazine articles about the Columbine killers, writings worshipping them and pictures of them on the wall, and detailed plans where to place the bombs, Sgt. Steve Dixon said.

The alleged massacre plot unraveled Monday when a photo lab clerk found pictures of DeGuzman allegedly posing with the arsenal.

FDA approves new name for prunes

WASHINGTON — Prunes by any other name would taste the same. But they might sell better.

Plum growers have won permission from the government to start calling prunes "dried plums."

Prune juice will still be prune juice, however. Dried fruit juice would be a contradiction in terms, the industry was told by the Food and Drug Administration.

By definition, prunes are indeed dried plums, but many consumers apparently don't think of them that way.

"The stereotype among the women that we're targeting is of a medicinal food for their parents, rather than a healthful, nutritious food for women who are leading an active lifestyle," said Richard Peterson, executive director of the California Dried Plum Board, formally the California Prune Board.

Industry research shows that women between the ages of 35 to 50 overwhelmingly preferred the term "dried plum."

Germany to slaughter elderly cattle

BERLIN — As the European Union criticized governments for taking too long to react to mad cow disease, Germany said Thursday it would begin slaughtering 400,000 older cattle in a week at the earliest.

Germany's slaughter can begin after slaughterhouses bid to be a part of the program, the Agriculture Ministry said.

Part of a Europe-wide cull, the slaughter will cost $311 million, the ministry said, with the European Union pitching in just under half the cost.

Germany would usually kill about 4 million cattle a year, but consumers' fear of infected beef has cut demand by half, leaving many farms saddled with unwanted cows over 30 months old — the age group suspected of carrying the disease and targeted in the slaughter.

The EU's top public health official said Thursday governments were too slow to react to mad cow disease and said he wants EU capitals to provide monthly reports on what they are doing to contain the outbreak.

Six-year-old boy returns home weaned

URBANA, Ill. — A 6-year-old boy, who was removed from his home last year because his mother had not stopped breast-feeding him, will be allowed to stay with his mother.

The boy returned home earlier this month, and a judge extended the arrangement Wednesday.

The mother is not breast-feeding and the two are making progress toward "an appropriate level of independence," Judge Ann Einhorn said.

At the age of five, the boy was placed in foster care in July.

A sitter told child welfare officials the mother had forced the boy to nurse against his wishes. The mother, whose name is not being used to protect the boy's identity, has said she practices "child-led weaning" and said the boy never indicated he wanted to stop nursing.

The family will be supervised by counselors, and their progress will be reviewed at a hearing in April. The woman and all attorneys were not allowed to comment about the case because of a gag order.

Weather

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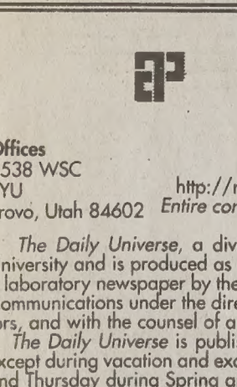
Scripture of the Day



"But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of ChristJesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ."

— Philippians 3:7-8

Shamberlin A. Eppley, 21, a psychology major from Flower Mound, Texax, likes this scripture because "Paul's commitment to the Lord really amazes me and is an example to me that there are things I too must do to 'win Christ.'"

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Western theme garnishes venue

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Mark Nelson, and Bren Jensen ju gle to entertain people a Shadow Ridge.

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The world is coming to Utah, and John Alberg, Sports Manager for the Olympic cross-country events at Soldier Hollow, wants the world to remember the state, not just the events that take place here.

With a seed planted by the media, John Alberg went to Tom Whitaker, Volunteer Venue Co-Chair for Soldier Hollow, to propose a Western culture theme for the Olympic venue.

From the beginning, Whitaker loved the idea.

"I think this is a nice opportunity for the community and Utah to show the world some of the cultural things which made us what we are," he said.

With approval from Alberg, Whitaker began making plans for the 2002 Olympic Games.

There were some who were voicing doubts, but Whitaker said he proved the validity of the idea at the 2001 U.S. Nordic Ski Festival at Soldier Hollow.

Pleased with the results of his first trial from Jan. 10 to Jan. 21, Whitaker is already making plans for the biathlon coming up in February.

"SLOC has always been 100 percent behind the Western theme," Whitaker said. "Everyone is quite pleased with how it is taking shape."

As the crowds assembled at Soldier Hollow on Jan. 10, they were greeted by the presence of two large teepees that had been set up next to the racetrack. Farther up on the hill they could see the smoke curling out of the chimney of a small log cabin.

Cowboy greeters walked through the crowds, inviting the people to take a ride in a horse-drawn sleigh to get to the Western village.

In the village, spectators, coaches and athletes alike could interact with 19 mountain men clad in buckskin. They watched as the mountain men cooked over fires and threw axes.

From there, the sleighs would take the spectators up the hill to visit the cabin where a family of six lived during the day.

"If you looked closely at the cabin, you would have thought you stepped back in Whitaker said.

At the closing of the Festival on Jan. 21, Whitak he felt his efforts had been success. In between shots races, the European tele feeds would pan over to the little girl chop wood cabin.

The crowds seemed to enjoy the cultural experienc the officials of the Intern Ski Federation also offere praise.

Antarctic ice erodes by 7.5 cubic mil

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Scientists have worried for decades that the Antarctic ice sheet was shrinking, threatening a global rise in sea level. Now, satellite studies show that about 7.5 cubic miles of ice have eroded from a key area in just eight years.

That much ice melting doesn't mean that it is time to get into boats, said one researcher, but the finding may be a "yellow warning flag" that confirms long-term changes are under way in the ice fields covering the South Polar region.

The study, which appears Today in the journal "Science," involved altitude measurements of the West Antarctica Ice Sheet, the smaller of two major ice sheets. It covers 740,000 square miles of the frozen continent.

Based on satellite measurements, said Andrew Shepherd, a University College London geologist and first author of the study, it appears that since 1992 the ice sheet has lost ice principally through the speeded-up movement of the Pine Island Glacier, an ice stream that drains about a third of the ice sheet.

"The Pine Island Glacier is key," said Shepherd. "It is totally exposed to the sea, and people have identified it as the weak underbelly of the West Antarctica Ice Sheet."

Melting of the entire sheet theoretically could cause a global sea level rise of 25 to 45 feet, but Shepherd said that at the present rate of change it would take centuries for the Pine Island Glacier, which is only about 10 percent of the ice sheet, to affect sea level seriously.

Jane Ferrigno, a U.S. Geologic Survey geologist and polar ice expert, said a speedup of the Pine Island Glacier, as reported by Shepherd and his co-authors, could foreshadow continuing changes of the West Antarctica Ice Sheet's ice levels.

The glacier "is moving faster than we thought," Ferrigno said. "This doesn't mean it could have an effect on coastal areas around the world within the next few decades, but this is a yellow warning flag. This is an area that should be watched carefully."

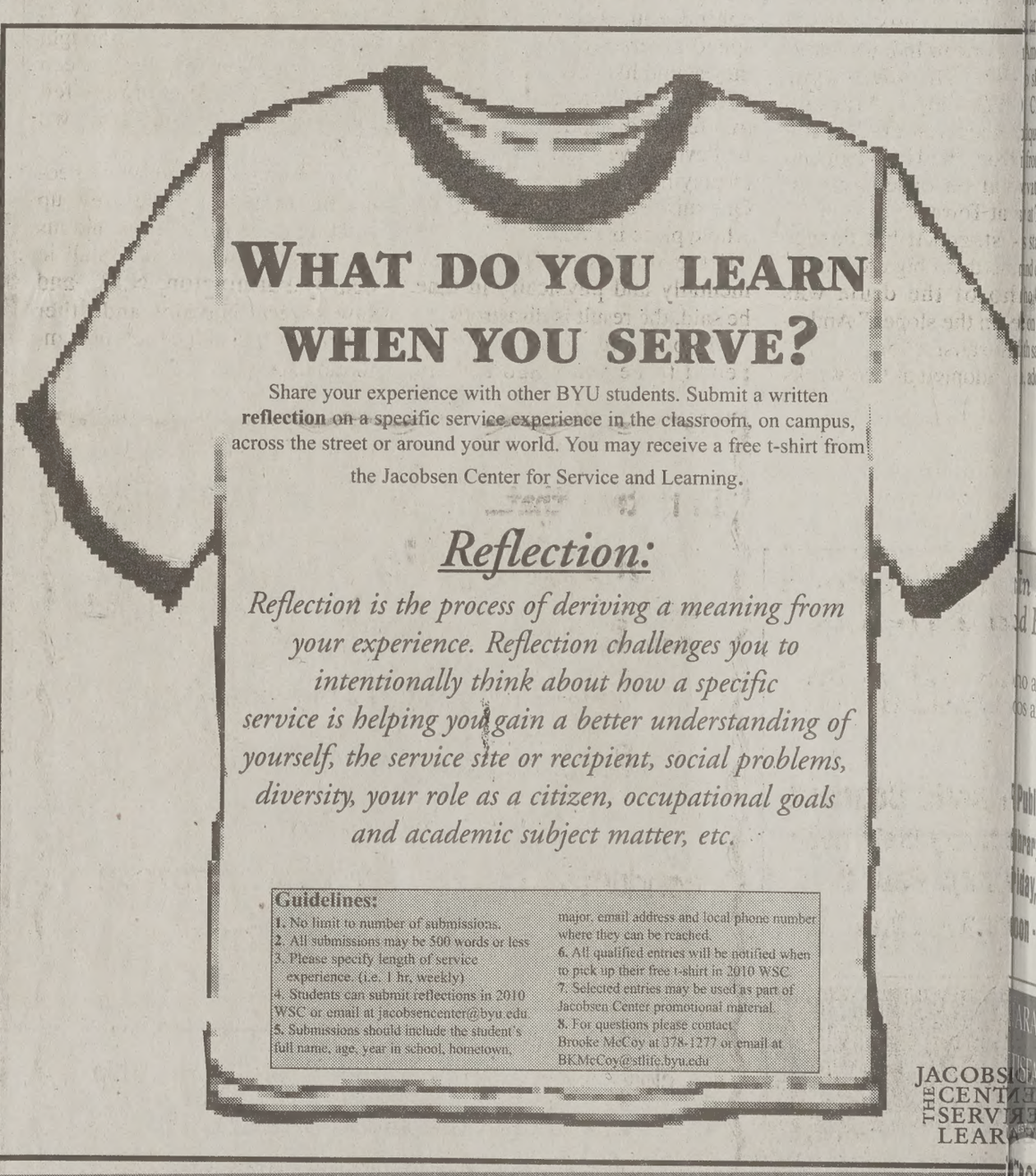
Shepherd said eight years of satellite data show a steady trend of ice-sheet shrinkage, with most of the decline coming in the Pine Island Glacier system, which drains an area about the size of the Mississippi River basin.

The Pine Island Glacier thinned by 30 to 36 feet during those eight years, and the glacier's grounding line — the point where sea water undercuts the main stem of the glacier — has pushed inland by about three miles.

"The thinning is 10 times greater than the rate of snowfall in the basin," said Shepherd. "The speed of the glacier means that much more mass is going out than is coming in."

Shepherd said if the present rate of change continues, the main stem of the Pine Island Glacier will be undercut by the sea and lifted up in about 600 years. When the glacier floats, it would cause a dramatic shift in sea level, he said.

Understanding how fast the Pine Island Glacier is moving a effect of this motion on th West Antarctica Ice Sheet considerable importance" dicting what will happen ice in Antarctica, Ferrign She said the work by Sh and his co-authors adds nc to the 84 percent of all the ice on Earth, according USGS. Melting all the An ice would cause a global s rise of about 240 feet. Suc would flood virtually world's coastal areas and many islands.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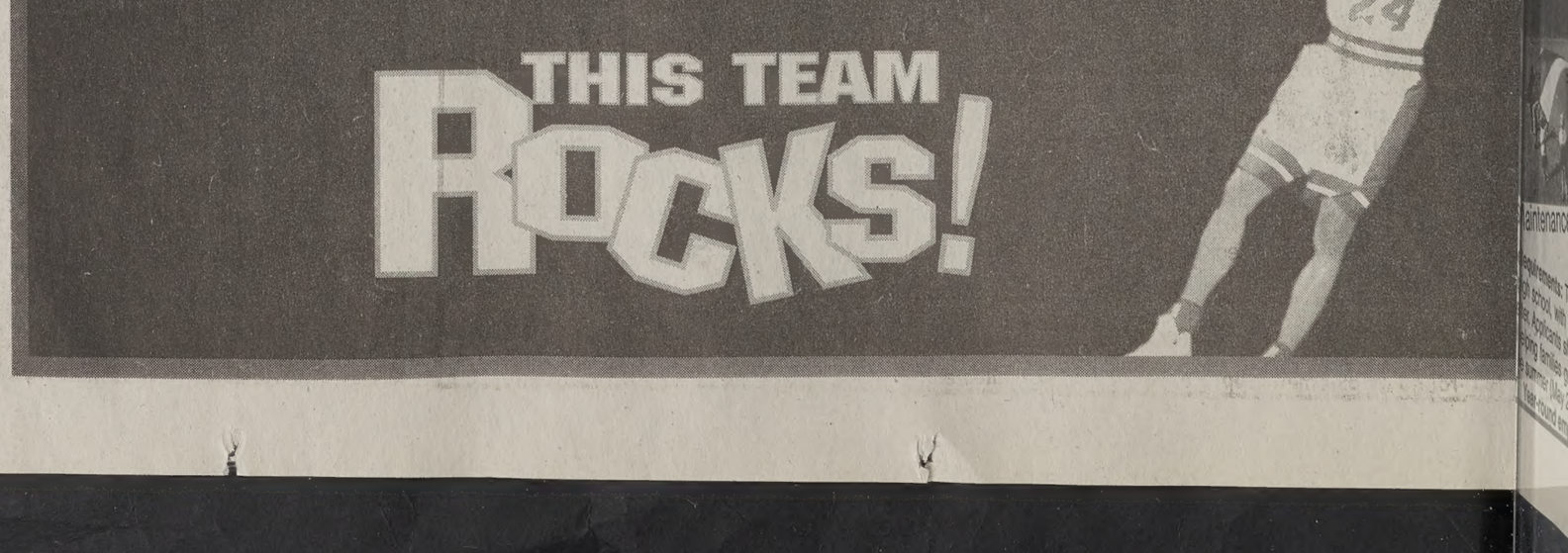

e fishing breaks the ice for wintertime fun

aren Rigby, West Valley y, catches a ch while ice ing at Deer k Reservoir.

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As the mercury plummets on the thermometer, one would expect people to grab a blanket and some hot chocolate and scramble for a spot close to the fireplace.

But that is not the case for some people in Utah this winter.

People are still grabbing the hot chocolate, but the blanket is being replaced by warm winter clothes and portable kerosene heaters. Instead of aiming for the couch, they scramble onto the frozen Deer Creek and other reservoirs to participate in a popular sport – ice fishing.

"It's really easy to get started," said Joe Hackwell, a bright-eyed fisherman from West Valley City, Salt Lake. "You just grab an auger and dig yourself a hole."

Indeed, he said the powerful blades of his motorized ice auger bore easily through the 8-inch-thick ice in a matter of seconds.

> "It's really easy to start. You just grab an auger and dig yourself a hole."
>
> — Joe Hackwell, Ice fisherman

Don't try to use a hand-powered auger, Hackwell explained, or it will take all day just to get a hole.

Inexperienced ice fishermen should take care to check the ice thickness before venturing out to cast their line.

The rest is pretty basic; a hook is baited with worms, Powerbait, salmon eggs, marshmallows, cheese – whatever is available, and tossed down the hole.

And then comes the waiting.

Some days the fish bite so fast that it is hard to keep your hook baited, Hackwell said. But there are also some days that they don't bite at all.

Yet it doesn't seem to matter if the fish are biting or not, the people will still come out and brave the cold, armed with snacks, soft drinks and each other to help pass the time.

"It's a good way to get out of the city," said Cody Hackwell, 25, from Taylorsville. "(Ice fishing) gives me a chance to be together with my family and friends."

A person must buy a license before going ice fishing, Hackwell said. On a good day the limit is quite easy to catch.

Although the majority of the fish caught are perch, an occasional trout can be found on the end of the line, said Karen Rigby, of West Valley City, Salt Lake.

Regardless of the type or even size, each fish caught must be kept. At this time of the year, a fish will die if it is pulled up to the surface and then thrown back, she said.

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adopted at two weeks of age by a European-American couple and raised in Durango, is half Cheyenne-Arapaho and half Mescalero Apache, a tribe found in the mountains of southern New Mexico. His father, Barney, a former economics professor at Fort Lewis College, taught him to ski at age 3. Ross Anderson took up racing at 6 and speed skiing at 23.

"I always looked up to somebody else, but no one of my own kind," he said.

In speed skiing, a racer hurtles two-thirds of a mile down a slope with an 89 percent pitch. When standing on such a slope, secured by a rope, if you jut back an elbow it will touch the mountain behind you, Anderson said. As speed skiers streak down a run they sound like jets taking off.

Anderson is faster on his own two feet and skis than most of us will ever drive, but he likens a run to playing a concerto on a piano. One mistake, one key off, and the whole piece is ruined.

If the skier is not 100 percent mentally and physically in tune, he said, the result is disastrous.

His one and only crash happened three years ago at Vars, France, while skiing 131 mph, 5 mph faster than the terminal velocity of someone jumping from a plane without a parachute.

He bounced and slid down the mountain like a rag doll, and his Latex suit melted into his skin, inflicting a third degree friction burn.

Filmmaker Warren Miller became so excited he upended his tripod and ruined the tape of the wreck, Anderson said. The scar on his leg still looks red and raw enough to be 3 weeks old instead of 3 years.

When something like that happens to you, you have to go right back up the mountain, to the same spot, or your fear takes over, Anderson said. For him, though, overcoming fear has never been the problem. He had always felt lost somewhere between two worlds, two races.

He grew up around white people in Durango and he grew up wanting to be white. If he and his white family went to the mall in nearby Farmington, N.M., and saw several Navajos and other American Indians, he felt uncomfortable, he said.

Energy bill is rejected

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The Assembly early Thursday narrowly rejected a $10 billion plan to ease California's electricity crisis by letting the state buy power on behalf of two large cash-starved utilities.

The bill's supporters, nearly all majority Democrats, planned to take another vote in late morning, hoping to win over Republican opponents in the meantime. The Assembly voted 51-28 for the bill, three votes short of the two-thirds needed to send it to the governor.

The bill would let the state sign long-term contracts to buy power and sell it to the customers of Southern California Edison and Pacific Gas and Electric Co. The two together serve nearly 9 million residential and business ratepayers.

California's two largest utilities, forced by the state's disastrous 1996 deregulation law to sell their power plants, say they've been pushed $12.7 billion in debt by soaring wholesale prices because that law blocks them from recovering the costs from their customers.

As the utilities' finances unraveled, two management insiders from each of the parent companies sold a small portion of their stock holdings before the shares plummeted in late December and early January.

Gordon Smith, who runs the utility for PG&E Corp., and board member Richard Clarke exercised a total of 32,500 of their stock options in August. They immediately sold the shares at higher market prices to lock in a combined pretax gain of more than $118,000, according to financial records reviewed by First Call/Thomson Financial.

It's highly unusual for a top executive such as Smith to cash in options when the difference between the exercise and market prices is less than $5 per share, said Sean Loren, manager of the First Call research department that tracks insider stock sales. The practice is known as "skimming options," Loren said.

At Edison International, the companies vice president and controller, Tom Noonan, generated a pretax gain of $35,275 on Nov. 20 by exercising 8,300 stock options, according to First Call. The company's chief information officer, Mavash Yazdi, sold 3,000 shares on Nov. 1, First Call said.

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Missionaries, plagued by unexplained diseases, find solution

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Traveling abroad can be the experience of a lifetime, but sometimes the package deal includes all the risks a country can offer.

A missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints went to Brisbane, Australia, and jumped at the chance to serve and live out of the country.

However, his excitement soon turned to misery as he experienced fainting, exhaustion and headaches.

"I was still working. I would use up all of my energy, then I would rest," said Ben Jenkins, 22, a sophomore from San Benito, Texas, majoring in graphic design.

Jenkins said he would fast and then get better, but he would always get sick again. His sickness was diagnosed as mononucleosis.

He was sent home early, only to learn that what he had wasn't mono, but a form of typhoid fever called scrub typhus.

"It's unique to Thailand and only transmitted through arthropods, like fleas and ticks," he said.

Jenkins said he visited international food markets with his companion while in Australia. These were his only links to Thailand, and he is fairly certain he was bitten while at one of these markets.

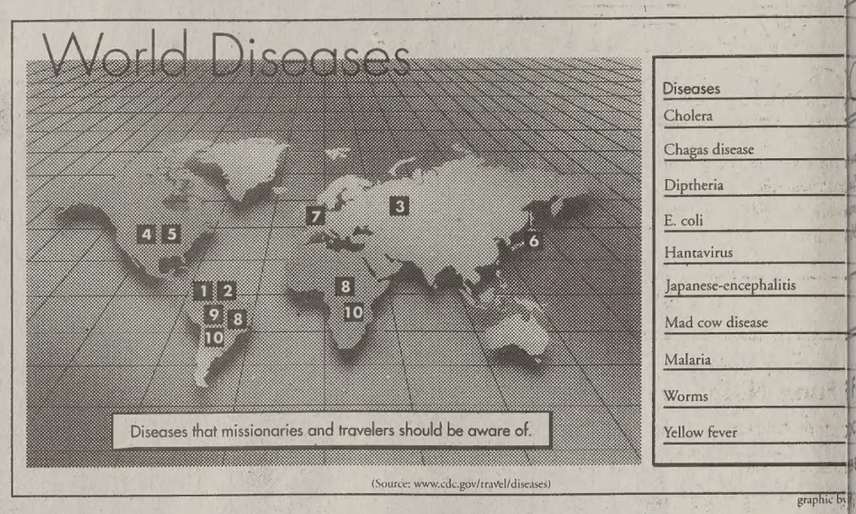
"Don't think you're invincible. The Lord will take care of you so often you don't worry about what to eat. But then, your body's not up to par when you get a virus," Jenkins said.

Cheryl Birky, a wellness counselor at the Good Earth Health Foods in Orem, said diets outside the United States are usually healthier, so missionaries and others should be able to protect themselves naturally.

"Foods overseas are unprocessed, not fried and have more nutrients," she said. "There are more vegetables and fruits. Take advantage of that."

Birky said many missionaries come back with fungal infections or parasites.

A good suggestion is to take grapefruit seed extract on the trip overseas. The seed extract kills amoebas in water, she said.



Police Beat

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ASSAULT

On Jan. 27 at 1:10 a.m., a man attempted to pick a fight with two male students. The man pushed one student and punched the other in the face. The students said they had never met the man before. The suspect is described as a 5-foot-11-inch white male weighing about 180 pounds. He was wearing a dark sweatshirt with a hood over his head.

FIRE

A fire was reported in the parking lot of Deseret Towers on Jan. 28 at 11 p.m. A housing and security officer called to report that three upholstered chairs had been stacked on top of each other and started on fire. Police have no suspects.

TRESPASSING

Two female students and one male student were cited for trespassing on Jan. 27 at 9 p.m. The students were caught trespassing the construction area of Helaman Halls. The students are suspected of throwing rocks and breaking a window.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

A male non-student was reported to the University Police for suspicious behavior on Jan. 28 between 1:30 and 1:50 p.m. The male entered and left the Ezra Taft Benson Building several times, finally coming back in and wandering the halls. Police escorted him from the building.

UNWELCOME VISITORS

At 11:10 p.m. on Jan. 25, two men walked into a female student's bedroom at Heritage Halls. The woman heard a knock at her door and before she could respond, the men walked in and stood in the doorway to her room. After she repeatedly asked them to leave, the men departed. The woman watched the men enter several other apartments down the hall. One suspect is described as a 6-foot white male with blond, curly hair. The second suspect is shorter with blond hair. Police have no suspects.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Two University of Utah students were kicked out of the BYU vs. Utah game on Jan. 29. The students were making obscene gestures and enticing other fans to fight. No citation was issued.

Humanitarian funding approved by SAC

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The Student Advisory Council approved a resolution submitted by the Development Alliance on Thursday that will ease the fundraising process for humanitarian organizations at BYU.

SAC's endorsement of the resolution will add weight to the petition as it makes its way up the administration ladder to Janet Scharman, dean of Student Life, and eventually to President Bateman, said Heather Pabst, president of Habitat for Humanity and member of the Development Alliance.

If he approves it, President Bateman's main concern in passing the changes will be limiting the potential for students to be continually harassed for donations, said Brian Henderson, SAC representative.

The administration can best prevent this from occurring by containing fundraisers within a limited window of time, he said.

The current policy restricts fundraising by charitable organizations to a one-week timetable called Care Week, Pabst said. During this allotted time, humanitarian groups are encouraged to hold their fundraising events and are provided with rooms and the aid of BYU staff at no charge.

"Beyond Care Week, humanitarian organizations face ridiculous odds in attaining approval for fundraising event," Pabst said.

"We feel this is contradictory to the service-oriented mission of BYU."

The policy changes proposed by the Development Alliance will allow well-prepared, organized proposals for charitable fundraisers outside of Care Week to be approved as long as the organization funding the event provided a meaningful service to the contributor, according to the resolution compiled by the Development Alliance.

In addition, the proposed policy change would guarantee all approved fundraisers the same benefits provided during Care Week, including access to campus facilities and staff at no cost.

Current regulations inhibit BYU students from fulfilling the mission of BYU while attending school, said Eric Fotheringham, member of the Development Alliance. He said he believes lifelong learning and service is not an end goal but a process.

Students need to become involved in charitable causes now, not sometime in the future, Fotheringham said.

"That's what the BYU mission is for," he said. "It's not just to provide a degree. It's to prepare people academically and spiritually to deal with what's out there in the world."

Alisa Allred, head c Development Alliance, sa sees education at BYU groundwork for a life of s and charity.

The development achie BYU impels students to l principles of the gospel on basis and to become mo Christ, Allred said.

Current restrictions on h tarian efforts at BYU hind development, she said.

"We receive a lot of bl here at Brigham University," Allred said.

"We are striving, by ch the fundraising policy a other policies that inhibit ment of the BYU missi reciprocate to the world a the blessings we have so dantly received."

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Fae Burgener, right, and Thayes Ludlow work at the Better Be Ranch in Birdseye, Utah County. People at the ranch ride horses and use other activities to heal.

Couple runs Better Be Ranch to help troubled youths heal

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Horses have come a long way in the mountains of Utah.

Once used for riding and plowing, they are now being used for healing.

Sterling and Thayes Ludlow have harnessed the healing powers of horses and the outdoors at their Better Be Ranch for troubled girls in Birdseye, Utah County.

"We really started thinking about doing a ranch 10 years ago," Mrs. Ludlow said. "I've always liked working with teenagers."

Mrs. Ludlow said she got the idea while working for the Charter Canyon Hospital.

She said she directed a yearlong program in which children at the hospital rode and cared for a group of horses.

The therapeutic effects of caring for the animals were highly successful, she said.

Encouraged by the results at Charter Canyon Hospital, Mrs. Ludlow and her husband purchased the land for the Better Be Ranch in July 1998.

"I wanted to make a place where kids could come and be involved with horses and animals," Mrs. Ludlow said.

Programs at the ranch are geared toward Utah County girls who have a wide variety of problems.

"We do a lot of substance abuse programs," she said.

Counseling is also available for girls with conduct disorders or who have been neglected or abandoned.

"Our big focus is on relapse prevention and being able to establish an individual program that will work for each girl," said Fae Burgener, a ranch drug and alcohol counselor.

"We try to find something to replace the drinking and the drugging where they can still have their needs met," she said.

Parents of struggling girls may also be able to receive financial assistance if they are unable to meet the costs of the ranch, Mrs. Ludlow said.

"We want to be able to take kids that the average mom and dad maybe can't afford to pay the full cost for," Mrs. Ludlow said. "And then we'll have a sponsor that will come in and help finish what their cost is."

Girls at the ranch go to school during the day and come home to chores and other family activities in the evening, she said.

"We try to make it really normal, like a normal type of living situation," Mrs. Ludlow said. "We're like a typical family in a lot of ways."

The program at the ranch –which is set up for about 12 girls – allows each girl to receive a lot of one-on-one attention and help.

The time spent at the ranch will vary, but most girls will stay for an average of six months to a year.

"It depends on their life situation," Ludlow said. "Some kids stay with us until they're 18."

The Ludlows and Burgener have had a lot of experience with troubled children.

"Both of us have had foster kids all our adult lives," Ludlow said.

One of the Ludlow's foster children, Randy Goyne, came to stay when he was 15 years old.

"My family experiences had not been so pleasant," Goyne said. "The Ludlows treated me like a person that had some sort of value. I love 'em to death."

Goyne is now attending college and said he plans to become a certified counselor so he can work at the ranch.

"I just want to help kids that are in the same situation I was," he said.

For more information on the Better Be Ranch, call 873-3294.

Movie about Osmond legacy to air Monday on ABC

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — It wasn't all sunshine and lollipops being a singing, dancing member of the Osmonds in the 1970s. Really.

Sure, the brothers had girls chasing them and guys wanting to be them. The worldwide travel, magazine covers and gold records were great, too.

But behind the toothy grins and wholesome, milk-drinking image, there was infighting, heartache, rebellion and bad investments. Working amid the smoking, drinking and cussing of show business also clashed with the family's values.

It's all revealed — along with white jumpsuits, fringe and polyester — in the ABC movie "Inside the Osmonds," airing Monday at 8 p.m. EST.

The film "was almost therapy in a way for my family. It really shows what happened. Some of it was hard to swallow," said Jimmy Osmond, who served as one of six executive producers. "For many years, we would just not talk about anything that is negative, and now everybody is kind of having fun sharing the true Osmond story."

It wasn't easy getting Alan, Wayne, Merrill, Jay, Donny, Marie, Jimmy, and Tom and Virl (the two oldest brothers, who are hearing-impaired), along with parents George and Olive, to agree on the script.

Not everyone remembered those crazy days the same way. And dredging up hurt feelings from three decades ago brought some tears.

"It was interesting to have a meeting of the minds and say, `Did you really feel that way about me?'" Jimmy said in a telephone interview from Branson, Mo., where he and some of the brothers perform more than 300 shows a year in their own theater.

"Merrill was kind of in denial about his feelings. He said, `Hey, I never felt bad about being pushed back,' and when he saw the way it was, he just wept," Jimmy said. "It was very healing."

The girls who screamed and cried over the Osmonds in the '70s might have been shocked to know what really happened:

— The Symbionese Liberation Army, a revolutionary group that kidnapped Patty Hearst in 1974, once threatened to bomb the Osmonds' concerts. "Everyone's a critic," replied one of the brothers.

— Merrill rebelled after being replaced by Donny as the group's lead singer.

— Donny fumed at being the butt of jokes on the goofy "Donny and Marie" variety show; Marie briefly starved herself after an ABC executive scolded her for gaining weight.

> **"For many years, we would just not talk about anything that is negative, and now everybody is kind of having fun sharing the true Osmond story.**
>
> — Jimmy Osmond, executive producer, 'Inside the Osmonds'

— Father George and brother Alan were plagued with guilt over misguided investments that left the family on the verge of bankruptcy.

"How many people could lose $80 million and still be talking to each other?" said Veronica Cartwright, who plays Olive. "That's a devastating loss and for the family to all stick together, that's amazing."

Cartwright and Bruce McGill, who plays George, started out as skeptics, but wound up respecting the clan, whose motto was "family, faith and work in that order."

"I was guilty like anyone of being prejudicial about the Osmonds," said McGill, whose musical tastes in the '70s ran to the Rolling Stones, the Beatles and Bob Dylan. "They were super-skilled pros, and that was a bit surprising."

The movie's final scene features a rare reunion of the family that has sold 80 million records and had 48 gold and platinum albums. The actors start out singing "He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother," then give way to the real-life Osmonds, including gray-haired Merrill and Jay.

"There were a lot of hardened industry people there and they were crying," Jimmy recalled.

"I've been around and seen a lot," McGill said, "but it was as truly moving as anything I've been exposed to."

Just flying 11 Osmonds to the Canadian set required three chartered jets and massive rearranging of schedules.

"Alan was reluctant because of his multiple sclerosis. It's hard for him," Jimmy said. "My mom and dad don't love to travel and it was very cold in Winnipeg. The brothers and I were doing Christmas shows and Marie was doing doll shows.

"This is probably one of the last projects we'll do as a family," he said. "Everybody is doing their own thing."

Punxsutawney Phil scheduled to predict seasonal weather today

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Groundhog Day rolls around again today.

The question of whether winter will linger on or whether Jack Frost will pack his bags and let spring move in will supposedly be answered.

Groundhog Day revolves around the tradition of whether or not the groundhog Punxsutawney Phil will see his shadow, according to www.groundhog.org.

It is believed that after a long winter the groundhog will come out of his hole to look for his shadow.

If the groundhog sees his shadow, he will return to his hole and six more weeks of winter are forcasted, according to the Web site.

However, if the groundhog does not see his shadow, he will consider it a sign that spring is near and come out of his hole, according to the Web site.

Winter weather lovers said they hope to gain a few more weeks of the cold and snow.

Tyson Croft, 18, a freshman at UVSC from Orem, said he enjoys winter because of his love for snowboarding.

"There's nothing better than riding through powder," Croft said.

"I like to be in the mountains when it's cold because it's so quiet and peaceful," he said. "You can just get away and forget about everything."

Croft said he hopes to get in at least six more weeks on the slopes before the warmer weather rolls in.

Some students would like to do away with the cold weather, and welcome the thought of spring-time and sun.

"January and February are the most depressing months. I just want to get into my bed because it's so cold. You can't really do anything but stay inside and watch movies," said Kacey Cozean, 19, a sophomore from Renton, Wash., majoring in early childhood education.

Cozean said she hopes that spring will come soon so she can get outside and play. She doesn't like to worry about being cold, she said.

"I want spring to come so that I can wear my capris. I can't wait for spring clothes!" she said.

Cat Correa, 22, a senior from Lakeland, Fla., majoring in interior design, is also awaiting Jack Frost's departure.

"I love warm weather — I like everything about it. I love being outside when everything is green," she said.

The verdict awaits — will Punxsutawney Phil see his shadow? All this depends on a hairy animal that hibernates in holes.

Y basketball teams sweep Air Force

Men score first 15 points, cruise at home

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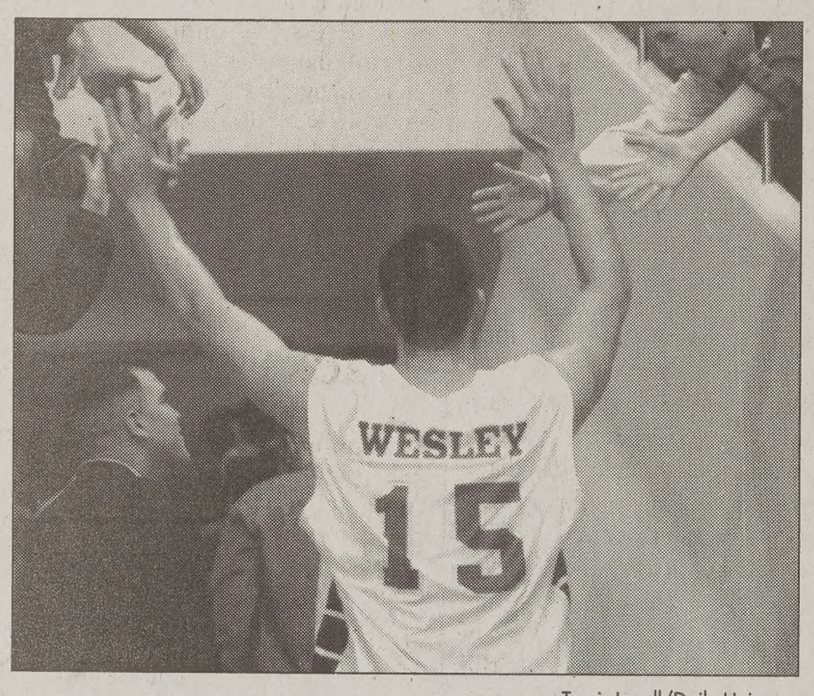

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Forward Mekeli Wesley salutes the crowd after Monday's game. The Cougars defeated Air Force 62-45 on Thursday.

After a big win against Utah on Monday, and with an equally important game against New Mexico looming Saturday, there were fears that the men's basketball team would overlook a pesky Air Force team.

Those fears were quelled early as the Cougars earned a hard-fought, yet uncomfortable 62-45 victory over the Falcons on Thursday night.

"It was a ball game that we had total control of, but you never felt comfortable in it," said head coach Steve Cleveland.

One of the strong points for BYU all season long has been its ability to come out strong at home. True to form, the Cougars (15-6, 4-2) scored the first 15 points and held Air Force (6-14, 1-5) scoreless for nearly nine minutes to settle any fears of a home upset.

Terrell Lyday had a strong first half, scoring 14 of his 22 points in the first stanza to help BYU to a 29-17 halftime lead.

A 15-5 run midway through the second half helped the Cougars extend their lead, which grew to as much as 20.

While shooting a respectable 44 percent from the three-point line in the first half, the Falcons' perimeter game fell apart in the second, when they connected on only 14 percent, and finished the game with 31 percent accuracy.

Lyday's 22 led all scorers. Nathan Cooper also had a big game, scoring seven points and grabbing six boards off the bench.

After the game, Cleveland gave his biggest praise to some BYU players who are rarely in the spotlight.

"The group who should get credit for this game is our scout team," Cleveland said. "They learned that (Air Force) system in about two hours. They are very valuable to this team."

The biggest concerns for coach Cleveland were the 19 turnovers the Cougars committed, as well as their lack of a post game inside. He knows that things must be different in BYU's tough upcoming games, especially against New Mexico on Saturday.

"We need to play better. Our post players have to play with more energy and more intensity, or we will not win," Cleveland said.

Tom Bellairs led the Falcons with 18 points and grabbed seven rebounds while playing all but one minute. BYU's defense held Jarvis Croft, Air Force's leading scorer, to only three points.

Falcon coach Joe Scott talked about how Air Force was never really in the game.

"This game was won in the first six minutes," Scott said. "If you want to win a game on the road, you have to go out and take it. We just let them have it in the beginning."

With the win, the Cougar extended their home winning streak to 17 games.

BYU will have little time to savor the win, as a tough New Mexico team comes calling on Saturday afternoon.

The Lobos (13-5, 3-2) won both regular season games last year, but lost to the Cougars in the first round of the conference tournament.

Women defeat Falcons for conference win

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It's like the first time you learn to ride your bike after falling numerous times, and let out a triumphant sigh of relief.

The Cougars could relate to that feeling after winning their first road game in almost two months, defeating Air Force 74-59 on Thursday night.

Even though the Falcons scored 40 points in the second half, compared to 19 in the first, the Cougars were still able to hold their ground.

Along with playing staunch defense, holding the Falcons to 36 percent shooting for the game, the Cougars were clicking on all ends offensively.

They shot an astounding 75 percent from the field in the first half, and 55 percent for the game.

The Cougars shot 40 percent from behind the three-point arc and made 16 of 20 from the free-throw line.

The Cougars had a balanced effort in the scoring attack as four players scored in double figures, led by freshman Heather Cheesman who had 15 points.

The Cougars are hoping to take their hot hand into Saturday's game at New Mexico, where they make their last stop of the current three-game road trip.

Y gymnasts prepare for Cat Classic

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The BYU mascot helped the women receive an invitation to the State Farm Insurance Cat Classic this weekend in Columbia, Mo.

The meet has traditionally included only "cat" schools but because some of these schools had scheduling conflicts, two "bird" schools have been invited as well.

The University of Missouri-Columbia Tigers, No. 10 Illinois State Redbirds and No. 22 Bowling Green Falcons will also be competing at this year's meet.

The Cougars are excited for the meet because it will feature individual finals as well as team finals, said assistant coach Shauna Mertz.

"Not too many collegiate meets have individual finals," she said. "I think we're going to hold our own."

Although the women will have the opportunity to battle individually, the focus of this weekend will be the team competition.

"It's one thing to mess up as an individual," Mertz said. "When you hit, you're hitting for your team."

Junior Kelly Parkinson is BYU's top all-around competitor and will be one to watch this season.

Parkinson broke the school record last year by scoring 39.55 out of a possible 40 points in individual events.

> "It's one thing to mess up as an individual. When you hit, you're hitting for your team."
> — Shauna Mertz, assistant women's gymnastics coach

Cassie Balser, women's athleti... secretary and former BYU gym... nast said senior Kim Little an... junior Jeni Lopez will also b... favorites this season.

"Lopez is very reliable," Balse... said. "You can count on her to g... some good scores for the team."

Head coach Brad Cattermole ... expecting a tough but fun meet.

"We all enjoy going and it's ... place where we're capable ... scoring well," he said.

When the scores have all bee... tallied and the meet is over, Ca... termole will be satisfied if eac... woman has performed her best.

"In basketball or football yo... can play less than your best a... still win. In gymnastics you c... win and score 192 and have was... ed your time," he said.

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"We need to be scoring 19... plus at the end of the season," ... said.

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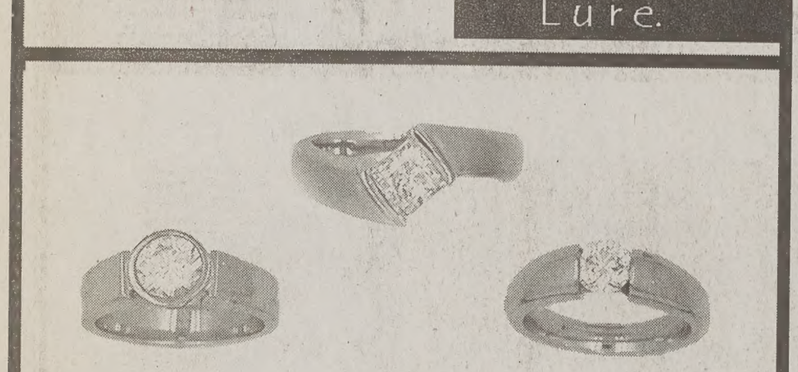
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ormer Cougar football e been intrigued enough w league to join it, and wcase their talents start- day night.

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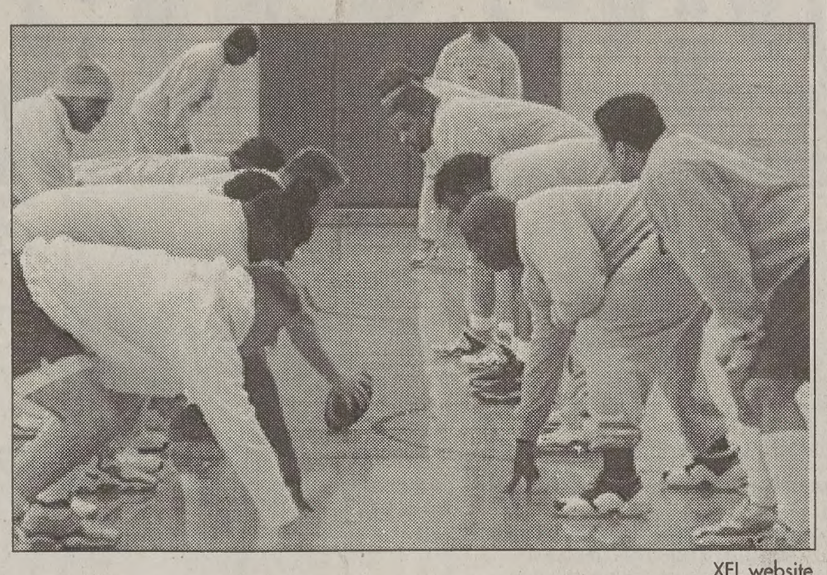

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The New York/New Jersey Hitmen practice for their XFL season opener. The inaugural XFL season starts Saturday.

Muirbrook, a former All-Conference linebacker, will be playing for the New York/New Jersey Hitmen. The XFL will mark his fourth different professional football league in his four-year career.

McGuire, a standout wide receiver at BYU, will play for the Birmingham Thunderbolts.

Bateman and Gouveia, an offensive tackle and linebacker respectively, will each compete for the Las Vegas Outlaws.

Maintaining some of the violence that made the WWF famous, there will be no fair catches on punts in the XFL.

To make it even more interesting, any punt over 25 yards is a live ball and can be recovered by the kicking team.

With these punt rule changes, the league hopes to create "the most exciting fourth down in football," according to www.xfl.com.

Returning teams must also bring the kickoff out of the end zone, allowing more excitement and certainly more contact.

In addition, teams won't be allowed to kick for an extra point. Instead, the ball will be placed at the two-yard line for a regular play, but will still be worth only one point.

People that don't take the XFL seriously shouldn't write the league off just yet. NBC highlights the broadcasting companies that plan to make the XFL part of America's television diet.

"The XFL will be the best reality show on television," said Vince McMahon, Chairman of WWF Entertainment, Inc. on the XFL's official Web site.

These are strong words from a man who made his money by creating a completely scripted form of entertainment, the WWF.

NBC will air one game each Saturday night to attract its audience. Various broadcasters have been hired to cover the games, with Minnesota Governor and former wrestling superstar Jesse Ventura highlighting the cast.

"We're thrilled to have one of the most interesting and colorful people in America today joining us as an integral part of the XFL," said Dick Ebersol, Chairman of NBC Sports, according to www.xfl.com.

NBC, along with UPN and TNN, will give viewers a closer look at football than they have ever seen. Cameras and microphones will be everywhere, including in the huddles.

Softball team starts season

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Deep in the annex of the Smith Fieldhouse, the BYU softball team has practiced together and worked together and, they hope, win together this year.

The Cougars practice indoors on a patch of turf in the Smith Fieldhouse annex.

This weekend, however, the Cougars step out into the sun of Southern Utah.

Not necessarily warm sun, but sun, still the same.

The change in environment may prove to be hard to adjust to, said outfielder Liz Smith.

"Our first time out is always harder; you're a little nervous," said head coach Mary Kay Amicone. "We're excited to get outside and get things going and see how we do."

In its second season as a NCAA division I softball team, BYU has a busy weekend ahead, playing four games and facing three schools in two days.

The Cougars will see how well they can play today and Saturday at the Thunderbird Classic in Cedar City.

In the open air of Eccles Coliseum, the Cougars will go up against Southern Utah at 6 p.m.

On Saturday, BYU will play No. 16 Oregon State at 10 a.m., Saint Mary's at 2 p.m., and then face OSU again at 4 p.m.

Amicone said she's excited, not worried, to play OSU twice.

"We're excited to play Oregon State," she said.

After facing several Top 20 schools last year, starting out with Oregon State will not intimidate the team, Amicone said.

Track team looks to Idaho

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Rome was not built in a day, Mount Everest cannot be scaled in a week and the BYU women's track team is not qualifying for the NCAA Indoor Championships with just one meet.

The Cougars are making it in several.

After scoring well, improving their strategy, perfecting their jumps and throwing farther earlier this season, the Cougars head to the Mountain States Invitational in Pocatello this weekend.

The meet, usually consisting of about a dozen schools, will host some significant competition, coach Craig Poole said.

At last week's Minnesota Invitational, five Cougars scored provisional NCAA marks — marks that could possibly qualify them for the national title meet.

In the next three weeks, the Cougars will be trying to make the NCAA qualifying times they trained for this season.

"This meet is just the first stop in the sequence," Poole said.

Next week, a majority of the team will travel to Weber State, while a few runners will fly to Fayetteville, Ark., for another competition.

Poole said he hopes the team will be in shape for the Mountain West Conference meet at the end of February.

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has a lot to live up to. her Felix was the WAC champion in 1998 in the indoor 60-meter sprint, boasting the fastest time in the world.

"Everyone called him 'Sky' when he ran, so I was sitting on the bench dreaming of becoming like him some day," Kenneth Andam said.

Andam is not too shabby in his financial ventures either.

He started a company called Squanet Communications, which he said is doing well.

He has also added another business venture to his resume when he founded the Nitty Gritty at University Mall.

His entrepreneurial success is a far cry from his earlier economic condition.

His first years in the United States were his hardest, Andam said.

He said he remembers digging out deep pits and roofing houses to pay for all of his living expenses.

But the recent scholarships BYU has given him and his brothers (younger brother Clifford recently joined Kenneth on the track team) have proved invaluable.

"The scholarships have helped us afford the education we would have liked to afford if we were living back in Africa," Andam said.

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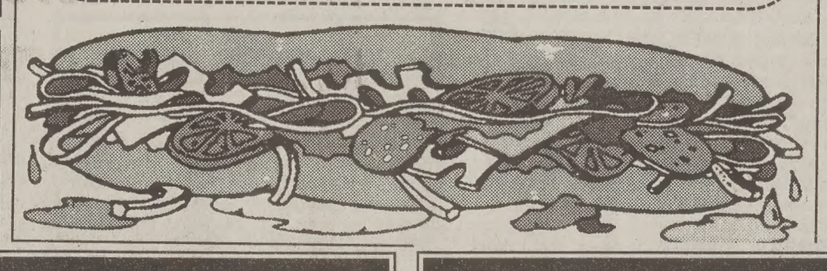

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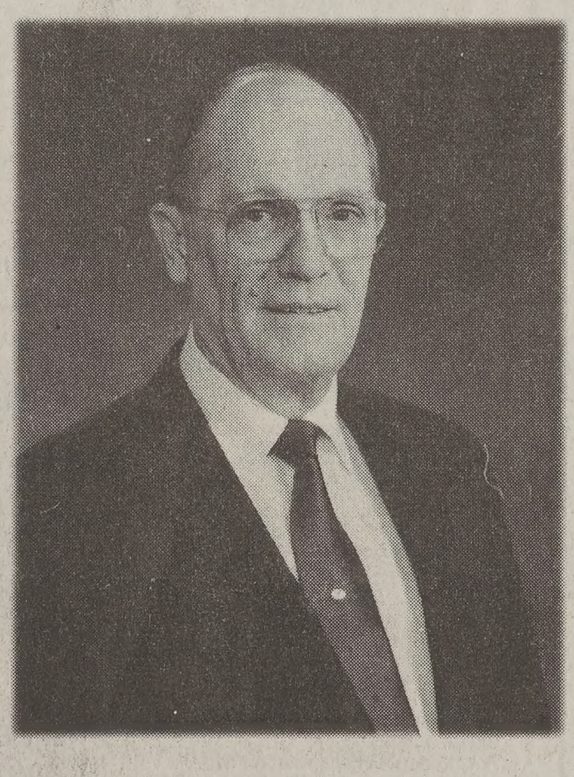

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At the time of his call to serve as a full-time General Authority, Elder Porter was serving as president of the Louisiana Baton Rouge Mission. He has also served as bishop, stake president, Regional Representative, counselor in the Boise Temple presidency, and missionary to the West Central States.

The Salt Lake City native is married to Shirley Palmer. The Porters are the parents of six children and have 31 grandchildren.

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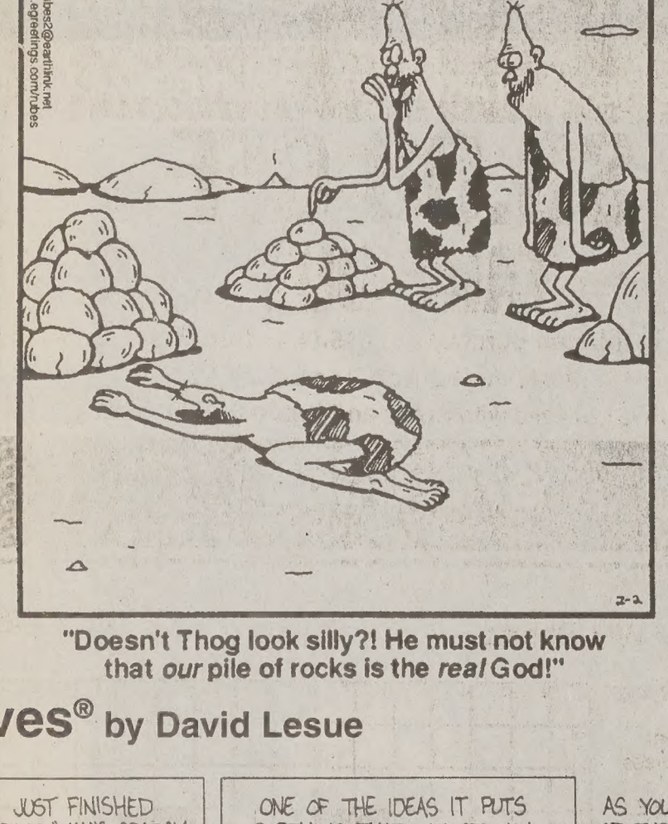

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Law schools to teach financial planning

By Melissa Burbidge
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Education can be a high-priced commodity that some people choose to discount. But for those who wish to pardon the expense, there is hope.

Saturday will mark the ninth annual Debt and Career Management Conference.

The theme of this year's conference is, "Learning to Live With Debt: Planning for Tomorrow's Money Today."

"This conference is the only one of its kind in the nation," said Eileen Crane, a BYU pre-law advisor.

Sixteen law schools and nearly 25 professional attorneys will be at the conference to educate students about financial aid, the law profession and ways to access free money for graduate education, she said.

Paying for an education can be overwhelming for any student. However, some BYU students enter other dimensions of difficulty as they marry, have children and desire to further their education, Crane said.

Because of the these circumstances, Crane said she decided to initiate a financial aid conference that would help BYU students understand how they can pay off their debts, she said.

"Being conservative Latter-day Saints, BYU students hate the feeling of debt," said Golden Thomas, 23, a senior from Draper, Salt Lake County, majoring in history.

Although Thomas is concerned about the financial obligations of graduate school, he said the conference offers more than just financial aid information.

The chance to interact with various admission deans on a personal level is one of the best opportunities the conference offers, Thomas said.

"It is important to know some of the people who will determine whether or not you get into their school," Thomas said.

He suggested students find out which schools will be present, educate themselves about different aspects of each school and in turn ask representatives intelligent questions.

Crane said students attending the conference will also have the unique opportunity to hear six different law admission deans openly critique various law school applications, which Crane said is virtually unheard of.

Registration for the conference will begin at 8 a.m., and the conference will run from 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost for entrance is $15, and $10 for an accompanying attendee.

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school sports, Bovee said. UHSAA has 1,500 officials statewide.

He said sports officials receive the most problems from male teams in high-profile sports such as basketball, baseball and football.

"When I talk with officials who are getting out of the sport, money, time and family are factors but poor sportsmanship is right at the top," Bovee said. "They are sick of being yelled at and treated poorly."

He attributes the rise in abusive behavior to a win-at-all-costs attitude held by parents, coaches and players. Society as a whole has also become more violent, and this is carrying into the sports arena, he said.

People are also mimicking the actions of some professional athletes who become physical when they don't like a call, said Barry Mano, president of the National Association of Sports Officials. When Dennis Rodman headbutted a referee three years ago, reports of similar incidents were filed within weeks to the association.

Democrats hope for cash cow in Clinton

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Some Democrats may be embarrassed by former President Clinton's last-minute pardons and his deal with the independent counsel, but they're letting him keep his stamp on the party — particularly if it means his help in raising money for 2002.

Clinton's longtime friend and fund-raiser, Terry McAuliffe, is the overwhelming favorite to be elected this weekend as chairman of the Democratic National Committee at its winter meeting here.

Although former Vice President Al Gore was the party's last presidential standard-bearer, there seems little argument among the party faithful that Clinton remains the titular head of the Democratic Party.

The top priority of national Democrats is regaining the House and Senate in the midterm elections, with Republicans now controlling the White House and both chambers of Congress. That will take money, and McAuliffe has proven himself in that arena, raising hundreds of millions of dollars for Clinton and the party in the past.

"He is a political fund-raiser who is quite savvy. I don't think it hurts that he has ties to Clinton," said Rob Tully, Iowa's Democratic state party chairman. As for Clinton, "He still has star quality about him, an easygoingness that people respond to."

McAuliffe is being challenged by former Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson, who has the support of some black and Hispanic DNC members, the Teamsters union, and one-time Gore rival Bill Bradley.

Jackson argues that "money alone does not win elections," promoting his own abilities to organize grass-roots support. And Bradley contends that for the past eight years "the Democratic Party has been preoccupied with the mechanics of winning and holding office."

But raising money is key to the party chairman's job. And even supporters of Jackson concede that McAuliffe's selection is pretty much a foregone conclusion.

Clinton's final days included a deal to avoid indictment in the Monica Lewinsky investigation, pardons of fugitive financier Marc Rich and other political supporters and his and Hillary Rodham Clinton's acceptance of $190,000 in china, furniture and other parting gifts.

For the most part, party activists don't defend — but seem willing to overlook — these reminders of the controversial side of the Clinton presidency.

"He's going to remain a larger-than-life figure for Democrats. He has the ability to keep on trucking through lots of stuff that would stop mere mortals," said pollster Andy Kohut of the Pew Research Center.

Polls taken as Clinton left office showed he had some of the highest job approval ratings of any president in the last half century, even though many people still had doubts about him personally.

Kohut said some of Clinton's final acts may have "left a bad taste." He and other pollsters said the public's view of Clinton seems likely to remain sharply divided along partisan lines.

The selection of McAuliffe, 43, a golfing buddy of Clinton, came at the expense of the current national chairman, Joseph Andrew, who had hoped to keep his job, several people close to the process said. Gore appeared to have had little input in the selection.

McAuliffe's choice was sealed when Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota and House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri endorsed him. McAuliffe has raised funds in the past for Gephardt.

The controversy over Clinton's final acts "amounts to a tempest in a teacup," said Mark Mellman, a Democratic pollster with close ties to Gephardt. He said Clinton remains broadly popular among Americans and is in "a unique position to raise money and recruit candidates."

Powell: Iraqi arms control threat to children

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Colin Powell denounced Iraq on Thursday as a threat to 'the children of the region," and said the Bush administration intends to hold Baghdad to its promise to get rid of its weapons of mass destruction.

"They are threatening their neighbors," Powell told reporters at the State Department as he provided some clues to the new administration's approach to foreign policy issues.

"Iraq is a problem for its own people," Powell said. "I think we have to keep reminding everybody that this is an arms control problem."

At the end of the Persian Gulf War in 1991, which reversed President Saddam Hussein's annexation of Kuwait, Iraq promised to eliminate its weapons of mass destruction — chemical, biological and nuclear.

Subsequently, however, it managed to limit U.N. weapons inspections, although the United States is using other means to try to monitor Iraq's activities.

Powell, who was chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff during the war, said Iraq is now unable to threaten its neighbors with conventional weapons so it is trying to gain strength with weapons of mass destruction.

"They made a commitment to do away with these weapons, and I think that the international community and the United Nations have to hold them to that commitment," he told reporters in a visit to the press area of the State Department.

While declining to be drawn into comparisons to the Clinton administration's approach, Powell indicated a more cautious policy on peacemaking between Israel and the Arabs.

"I think we have to watch carefully what's happening with the Middle East peace process and how it unfolds over the next several days, and watch the Israel election" Tuesday, he said, in which Prime Minister Ehud Barak is pitted against Likud leader Ariel Sharon.

"I think, of course, we have to look at the Gulf and especially Iraq," Powell said. "Those things come to mind."

"But I am of a view you can't just concentrate on one thing. There are just many things going on at the same time," he said.

For example, Powell said he is mindful of the problems in Africa, in Congo, for instance.

Touching on how the new administration was organizing itself to deal with foreign policy issues, Powell said, "We've established a system where we will have working groups, chaired by the State Department."

"Surely we will look at any region that requires looking at in particular," he said. Africa is the topic of one such group, Powell said.

Also, Powell said, "I want to begin working closely with our European allies and our friends in Asia, as well."

"I am trying to reach out as much as I can and convey a message of openness and American interests in these regions," he said.

Powell greeted each of the dozen reporters who were at their workstations, and took a close look at some of their cluttered quarters.

His visit had been billed as a "meet and greet" off-the-record session. But Powell agreed to be quoted when a reporter made the request and said he intends to speak for quotation in future sessions with them.

The last secretary of state to take that open approach was George P. Shultz in the Reagan administration, from 1982 to 1989.

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Court acquits Lybian of Lockerbie bombing

Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya — A smiling Moammar Gadhafi on Thursday warmly embraced a Libyan acquitted in the 1988 Lockerbie bombing, who returned home shaking his fist in victory and chanting, "God is great" before well-wishers.

In the Netherlands, the other Lockerbie defendant, a Libyan intelligence agent, studied whether to appeal his conviction for multiple murders in the downing of Pan Am Flight 103.

Libya, under renewed scrutiny for links to terrorism after the verdicts, said it would consider compensation for the families of the 270 victims of the bombing, but only after the appeal process is completed.

A Scottish court sitting in the Netherlands sentenced Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi to life imprisonment, with no possibility of review for 20 years, for planting the device that exploded in the plane over Lockerbie, Scotland on Dec. 21, 1988. All 259 people on board were killed, and the fiery wreckage plunging 31,000 feet killed another 11 in the small town below.

Lamen Khalifa Fhimah, acquitted and freed by the court, arrived in Libya from the Netherlands on Thursday to a crowd of relatives and friends at Tripoli's airport.

Emerging from a Dutch military aircraft, Fhimah was greeted with chants of "Justice has triumphed! Down with America." The crowd of around 100 people then swarmed around Fhimah — dressed in white robes and a black shashiya, a traditional Libyan beret — and embraced him.

The Libyan leader hugged Fhimah before delivering a speech in which he said he would ask for compensation for the seven years Libya was under U.N. sanctions.

Gadhafi also said he would reveal evidence in a speech Monday showing that Megrahi is innocent. "When I speak, there will be three choices in front of the judges: either to commit suicide or to resign or to admit the truth," Gadhafi said with a smile.

Crossword

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ACROSS

1 Unquestionably gone
16 Zig or zag
17 Not release
18 Like basil leaves
19 "Danny Boy" star Stephen
20 Antenna holder
21 Pro __
22 Rake in the bucks
26 They may be found in cribs
29 Hit right to the shortstop, perhaps
33 Loud
35 October blooms
36 Texas A & M student
39 Persian for "crown"
41 Country rocker Steve
42 It's west of Sierra National Forest
44 Jerusalem artichoke, e.g.
46 Kurt's "The Threepenny Opera" collaborator
48 Permafrost areas
52 A.F.L.-C.I.O. chief John
54 Fly's path
55 One in a suit
58 Chiang's overthrower
59 Fields of comedy
61 Tendency not to panic
66 Far from uptight
67 Parts hardest to reach

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1 Sitting Bull, e.g.
2 Cricket complement
3 Special Forces units
4 Part of D.O.E.: Abbr.
5 Indy's Luyendyk
6 Name passer, perhaps
7 "Your point being ...?"
8 Name on a tiller
9 Bony
10 "1984" state
11 Jockey Turcotte
12 Fiend
13 It may be accompanied by an orchestra
14 "The Race ___" (1965 song)
15 Spring stretch
22 Early man's beginning?
23 Aspiring atty.'s hurdle
24 Like the Shadow
25 Detonating device
27 Reducing concerns
28 Heretofore
30 Preposition in "Jingle Bells"
31 Modern address
32 Lao-___
34 Nibbler
36 Vance or Vandenberg: Abbr.
37 Coll. test
38 E.U. member
40 Burlap fiber
43 1992 Liberty Bowl winner
45 Be bullish
47 Service, of a sort
49 Sine and cosine
50 Melodic
51 Embarrassing outbreaks
53 Without face value
55 Uniform locale: Abbr.
56 Mason's assignment
57 Marie Claire competitor
59 Shoe-endorsing dog
60 Former Platte River inhabitants
62 Tonsorial challenge
63 Female kangaroo
64 Suffix with lact-
65 It may contain eggs

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Cable cars collide, 16 injured

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LOS ANGELES — Two cars of the historic Angels Flight railway collided Thursday, injuring 16 people, six of them critically, authorities said.

A cable may have snapped on the downtown railway that takes tourists and commuters up and down steep Bunker Hill, Fire Department spokesman Steve Ruda said.

The collision occurred near the bottom of the railway, which was put back in service after being disassembled for decades and then restored five years ago.

Computer programmer Alex Pamfilov, 25, was walking to a market for lunch when he heard a loud crash and saw the cars had collided.

"I saw this gentleman fall out one of the doors," he said. "Some people came to help him out. It was very frightening."

The cars normally move in opposite directions from stations at the top and bottom of the hill. One heads down the hill as the other one heads up. They pass each other in the middle of the slope where the tracks separate widely.

Angels Flight first went into service in 1901 and became a symbol of the city. The area decayed in the 1950s and Angels Flight was removed in 1969 to make way for a building project.

After years in a warehouse and a $4.1 million restoration, Angels Flight was reopened in February 1996 near its original location.

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Sharon not cause of bloodshed

Associated Press

JERUSALEM — An Israeli government report cleared hardline opposition leader Ariel Sharon of responsibility for four months of Israeli-Palestinian fighting, saying his visit to a disputed Jerusalem holy site did not provoke the bloodshed.

The report, posted by the Israeli Foreign Ministry on its Web site Thursday, was submitted to an international fact-finding committee, chaired by former U.S. Senator George Mitchell, which is looking into the causes of the violence.

The report was released just five days before Israel's election for prime minister in which Sharon is expected to defeat Prime Minister Ehud Barak by a wide margin. The report could further boost Sharon's chances, especially with undecided centrist voters.

Palestinian Cabinet Minister Nabil Amr disputed the findings, saying Israeli officials acknowledged in the past that Sharon's Sept. 28 visit to the contested Jerusalem hilltop, known to Jews as the Temple Mount and to Arabs as the Haram as-Sharif, has played a role in triggering the violence.

Palestinian negotiator Hassan Asfour said the report provided "false facts from the Israeli government" and could be an election trick by Barak's government. "You cannot lie about history, you cannot deny what happened," Asfour said.

Nearly 380 people have been killed in four months of confrontations since the Sharon visit, including more than 330 Arabs and more than 40 Jews.

The Palestinians have portrayed Sharon's visit a provocation aimed at demonstrating Israeli control over the shrine, and said the widespread Palestinian protests that followed were an understandable Palestinian response.

The Israeli government report said that Sharon's visit, "however sensitive, was not the cause of the violence."

"It was an excuse for a violent campaign, the groundwork for which had already been laid by the Palestinian leadership," the report said.

The sacred compound, where the Al Aqsa and Dome of the Rock mosques stand atop the ruins of Jewish Temples, is the holiest site of Judaism and the third holiest of Islam. Islamic authorities administer the shrine, located in traditionally Arab east Jerusalem, which was captured by Israel in the 1967 Mideast war and later annexed.

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> — Hassan Asfour, Palestinian negotiator

The Israeli government said it was aware of Arab opposition to Sharon's visit and coordinated it with the Palestinians, including their West Bank security chief, Jibril Rajoub.

In a telephone conversation the day before the visit, Rajoub told Israeli Foreign Minister Shlomo Ben-sAmi that "there wouldn't be any problem," if Sharon avoided entering the two mosques, the report said.

A spokeswoman for Rajoub confirmed that the conversation took place, but said Rajoub told Ben-Ami that "Sharon should not go."

Sharon made no attempt to enter the mosques during his visit, which according to the report lasted for 34 minutes.

Justice Department rules out foul play in teen's hanging

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department's civil rights division concluded Thursday that there was no criminal act in the hanging last summer of a black Mississippi teenager, which local authorities ruled a suicide.

Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson and the family of 17-year-old Raynard Johnson had argued local authorities moved too quickly to rule out the possibility the youth was lynched by people who disapproved of his friendships with white girls in the rural community of Kokomo, Miss.

But a three-paragraph statement from the Justice Department said, "Despite the tragic nature of this event, the evidence about Mr. Johnson's death obtained and reviewed by the Department of Justice does not suggest that a criminal act occurred."

The department said it explored "every avenue of inquiry," including interviewing numerous witnesses and enlisting the aid of multiple forensic experts. It also reviewed "all available physical evidence" and findings of a medical examiner hired by the Johnson family.

"There are no other avenues to consider," the department concluded. It noted that the Mississippi attorney general, the Mississippi Highway Patrol, the Circuit Court district attorney, the Marion County sheriff reached the same conclusion after separate investigations.

The youth was found hanging last June 16 in the front yard of his home.

Two autopsies, including one commissioned by the family, found no evidence of a struggle. Authorities have said Johnson's girlfriend broke up with him shortly before he was found.

Last August, Jackson said investigators identified at least people who could have had something to do with Johnson's death.

Lewis Myers, an attorney for Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, said four of the 15 people "within 90 days had a physical or verbal confrontation when the body of Raynard Johnson was found."

Mississippi Attorney General Mike Moore said state and federal investigators had tracked down every lead received from Johnson's family and Jackson's organization.

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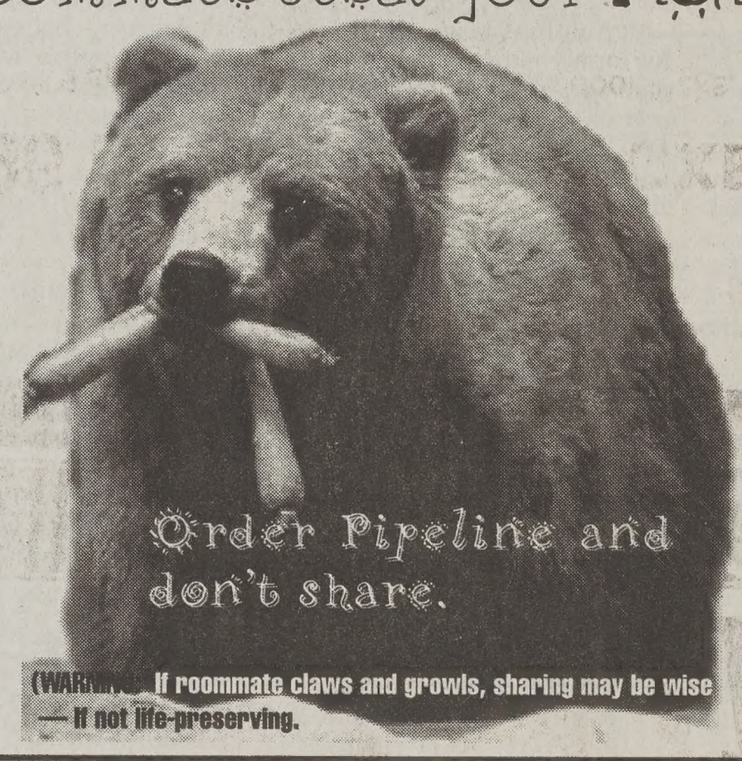

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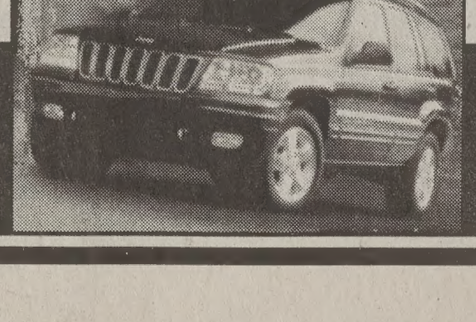

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